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Filing Date:	October 19, 2000	Examiner:	Wallenhorst, Maureen
Serial No.:	09/693,186	Group Art Unit:	1743
Title:	METHODS FOR QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE ANALYSES OF PHOSPHOLIPIDS USING ONE-DIMENSIONAL THIN LAYER CHROMATOGRAPHY		

for ultra-claims

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

To: Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is submitted in response to the Office Action issued in the above-captioned application on June 4, 2003. Please reconsider the above-identified patent application in view of the amendments and remarks presented hereinafter.

Amendments to the Claims are shown in the Claim Listing, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

A Petition for a 3-month extension of time is also submitted herewith to extend the time for response.

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FEES DUE TO FILE THIS AMENDMENT

When this application was filed, a fee was paid for a total of 24 claims, with 2 of them being independent claims. The above amendment has resulted in there being a total of 22 claims, with 4 of them being independent claims. Thus, additional fee for 1 independent claim(s) in the amount of \$86.00 is due. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1225 (Docket No. ECV-5611). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants hereby request an extension of time for 3 Months to respond to the above-referenced Office Action. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fee of \$950.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-1225 (Docket No. ECV-5611). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, in view of the above amendments and remarks, it is submitted that this application is now ready for allowance. Early notice to this effect is solicited. If in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (949) 250-6801.

If an appropriate payment does not accompany or precede this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees, such as under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17, including any petition for extension of time, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1225.

Dated: December 1, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

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